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SUBJECT: COMMERCIAL TRAVELLER: JANET HALL DIGGS, WESTINGHOUSE

1. JANET DIGGS, FORMER AF/C COUNTRY OFFICER FOR GABON, NOW WITH WESTINGHOUSE, PLANS TRIP TO LIBREVILLE MARCH 10-14 ON COMPANY BUSINESS.

2. PURPOSE OF VISIT TWO-FOLD: (A) TO EXPLORE POSSIBILITY OF ACQUIRING ACCESS TO GABONESE URANIUM AT FAVORABLE PRICES; (B) TO MAKE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF GOG INTEREST IN "TETHERED COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM" (SIMILAR TO THAT BEING NEGOTIATED IN NIGERIA) PRODUCED BY WESTINGHOUSE SUBSIDIARY, TCOM.

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3. TENTATIVE ITINERARY AS FOLLOWS:

FEB 21-26: BRUSSELS

FEB 26-MARCH 4: PARIS

MARCH 4-10: NIAMEY

MARCH 10: ARRIVE LIBREVILLE 1750 HRS, AIR AFRIQUE 520

MARCH 14: DEPART LIBREVILLE 1925 HRS, AIR AFRIQUE 160.

WHILE IN BRUSSELS AND PARIS, DIGGS WILL BE TRAVELLING
WITH WHITE HOUSE EXECUTIVE INTERCHANGE GROUP. AT ALL LO-

CATIONS, SHE CAN BE REACHED THROUGH AMEMBASSIES.

4. IF FEASIBLE, DIGGS WOULD LIKE TO TRAVEL TO MOUNANA
FOR ONE-DAY SIDETRIP. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY'S ADVICE
ON TRANSPORT OPTIONS, INCLUDING CHARTER FLIGHT. WOULD
ALSO APPRECIATE POST'S ASSISTANCE IN CONFIRMING HOTEL
RESERVATIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN BOOKED AT DIALOGUE.

5. IN VIEW OF EXPLORATORY NATURE OF HER BUSINESS, DIGGS
WANTS TO KEEP AS LOW A PROFILE AS POSSIBLE DURING VISIT.

6. FOR NIAMEY: DETAILS FOLLOW SEPTTEL. INGERSOLL

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